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**Letter from M[argaret] Hay Lunam to [John Muir], [1903] Mar 13.**

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to be for ever with  
 her God and Saviour  
 and all her dear friends  
 who have gone before  
 her; whose partings are  
 unknown; it will be a  
 great comfort to you  
 all to know that Dr.  
 Daniel was with her  
 at the last - and poor  
 Sarah is also plunged  
 in deep sorrow, at the  
 death of Mr. Eastman  
 leaving a widow & two  
 children

Westfield  
 March 13<sup>th</sup> 1862  
 My dear cousin John,  
 I received your  
 last letter dated the  
 end of Jan<sup>r</sup>. I certainly  
 should have answered  
 it long before this time  
 but I was busy nursing  
 Maggie in February. Had  
 taken another bad turn  
 of the Throat & lost voice  
 owing to the severe  
 weather; and our servant



had an attack of  
Measles for 3 weeks  
at the same time. but  
they are all going about  
again. do accept our  
heartfelt sympathy  
for you all in the  
sad bereavement of  
your dear Sister Annie  
How do I remember  
your dear Mother coming  
often up to Grandfather's  
with the little twins  
after your father left

for America! they were  
just beginning to walk,  
but that is long ago, and  
many sad changes among  
us all since that time!  
Dear Annie <sup>has</sup> <sup>of</sup> <sup>the</sup> did the  
same complaint as  
our Mother Hilroy  
Aflorey! after a few  
hours illness, dear Annie  
is now done with all  
her earthly cares, and  
her good Christian  
works, and gone to  
that glorious Home



friends: <sup>88</sup> both hear  
you and for from you,  
we will hope to hear  
from you very soon,  
Susan & Jane Mother  
are both well, also  
W<sup>m</sup>. Kelly. I do wish  
his Mother, my old  
friend!

I am  
ever your affectionate  
cousin

M. Mary & Ann  
your cousins the Ylagers  
are all well —

5.  
Sarah will be a great  
comfort to her daughter  
Annie in Oregon & far  
from you all. What  
a sad change to her,  
after spending such  
a long happy holiday  
with you all at Mother-  
ez! I am sure! Mrs. Child  
will be feeling the death  
of Annie very much,  
as she helped her dear  
Mother to bring them  
up, when they were babies



66  
till Sarah. I would have  
written to her, if I had  
her address. I do deeply  
sympathize with her.  
I trust Mr. & Mrs. Minn & you  
are two beauties well,  
Mr. Murdoch is going  
to take a voyage to  
Madeira: this month  
to get some sunny  
weather, for a week  
or two, after our cold  
severe winter. Maggie  
wishes she could also

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~~could~~ get some perfect  
sunny days also, but  
we must wait, till we  
can get our house let for  
a few weeks in summer  
before we think of a  
change. we are looking  
forward with pleasure  
to see you in Dublin  
this summer. I should  
nothing prevent you,  
Maggie joins me in  
much love to you  
and all your dear